

5 May 1947

Mr. Robert Pell
1719 K Street, NW
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Dear Bob:

Thank you very sincerely for your kind letter of 2nd May. I appreciate your thoughtfulness in writing me and your remarks more than I can say, particularly, since it was due to your early training that I could even be considered for this job. The training under the European Information Center was the finest thing that ever happened to me.

I do hope that you will have lunch with me some time in the near future. I should suggest, if convenient to you, next Friday, May 9, at ~~the~~ La Salle du Bois, at 12:30. If this date is not convenient, I shall try again.

Again with thanks, believe me,

Most sincerely,

R. H. Hillenkoetter

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1719 K Street, NW
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May 2, 1947

Dear Admiral:

My war colleague, Commander Abbott of ONI, told me of your appointment some time ago , but I wished to wait for the public announcement before adding my congratulation to the many which you must be receiving. I know of no one better for the post, and I hope that the European Information Center of ten years back was one step to this high position.

After finishing my duties with SHAEF I spent a year in France as General Manager of the New York Post's European Edition and have just completed the winding up process of that interesting but unprofitable venture. Any way I got to ^{know} France in a way I never should otherwise , especially the French Communists who hated our guts. But why talk of France to one of the great experts on that marvelous country ?

Again many congratulations and fair sailing.....

Yours ever,



Robert Pell

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May 7, 1947

Dear Admiral:

Many thanks for your letter of the fifth; I look forward to lunching with you on Friday at 12:30, Salle du Bois.

As ever, faithfully,


Robert Ell

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